



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 6651**  
Kiyoshi TANABE et al. : Docket No. 2000-0973A  
Serial No. 09/600,027 : Group Art Unit 1636  
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A METHOD OF MUTAGENESIS : **Mail Stop: AMENDMENT**

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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated March 25, 2004, the period for response having been extended for three months by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, Applicants herein provide the following amendments and remarks.